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In re Application of  
Lawrence J. Friedman  
Application No. 10/796,383  
Filed: March 9, 2004  
Attorney Docket No. FRIE-3722

: DECISION ON PETITION TO  
: WITHDRAW FROM RECORD  
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This is a decision on the request to withdraw as attorney or agent of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(b), filed October 6, 2005.

The request is **NOT APPROVED**.

A grantable request to withdraw as attorney/agent of record must be signed by every attorney/agent seeking to withdraw or contain a clear indication that one attorney is signing on behalf of another/others. A request to withdraw will not be approved unless at least 30 (thirty) days would remain between the date of approval and the later of the expiration date of a time to file a response or the expiration date of the maximum time period which can be extended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

The request cannot be approved because no reasons for withdrawal have been provided. Without providing the reason for the requested withdrawal, the Office cannot determine whether practitioner's request is one of the mandatory or permissive reasons enumerated in 37 CFR 10.40. Any subsequent request must include the reason for withdrawal. Please note that there is a space provided on PTO/SB/83 (Request to Withdraw as Attorney or Agent) for supplying practitioner's reasons.

The record indicates that a non-final Office action was mailed on August 10, 2005, which set a three month shortened statutory period for reply. To date, the record fails to disclose that a reply has been timely received within the maximum period set for reply.

A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address noted on the request to withdraw and to the inventor, whose address is the same as the assignee of record in this file. If it is desired that counsel be appointed to prosecute this application, the appropriate power of attorney documentation or a request to change the address of record should be submitted. If submitted by an assignee, assignee must comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 3.73(b).

All future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the above-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-3218.

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